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Sir:

In response to the pending Office Action, mailed August 29, 2002 (Paper No. 7), Applicants hereby amend the above-captioned application and request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 5, 16, and 26, as follows:

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5. (amended) An optical component manipulation system as claimed in claim 4, wherein each of the stages rides on a system frame on respective first and second air bearings.

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- 16. (amended) An optical component manipulation system, comprising:
 - first and second opposed jaws for manipulating an optical component;
 - a first position detection system for detecting a position of the first jaw in two dimensions:
 - a second position detection system for detecting a position of the second jaw in the two dimensions;
 - a first actuator for positioning the first jaw in the two dimension;
 - a second actuator for positioning the second jaw in the two dimensions.